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CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

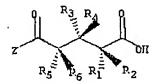
- 1. (Original) A method for inhibiting osteoclast formation in a subject in need thereof, comprising the step of administering a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of the general formula ZOC-(CRR)_m-COOH, wherein: m = 2, 3 or 4; Z is OH or NH₂; one R in the compound is from the group consisting of SO₃H, OSO₃H, CH₂-SO₃H, CH₂-OSO₃H, and NHSO₃H, and the remaining Rs are H or NH₂, optionally with an additive, excipient, diluent or carrier.
- 2. (Original) The method according to claim 1, for inhibiting formation of mononuclear TRAP-positive osteoclasts.
- 3. (Original) 'The method according to claim 1, for inhibiting formation of multinuclear TRAP-positive esteoclasts.
- 4. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the pharmaceutically effective amount is 5 to 10 mg/kg of body weight.
- 5. (Original) The method according to claim 1, comprising administering the compound for between 5 and 30 days.
- 6. (Original) The method according to claim 1, comprising administering the compound for at least 30 days.
- 7. (Original) The method according to claim 1, comprising administering the compound for at least 60 days.

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- 8. (Original) The method according to claim 1, comprising administering the compound for at least 90 days.
- 9. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the compound has the structure shown below and the formula ZOC-CR₃R₄-CR₁R₂-COOH, wherein one of R₁ to R₄ is selected from the group consisting of SO₃H, OSO₃H, CH₂-SO₃H, CH₂-OSO₃H, and NHSO₃H, and the remaining are H or NH₂.

Structure 1

10. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the compound has the structure shown below and the formula ZOC-CR₅R₆-CR₃R₄-CR₁R₂-COOH, wherein one of R₁ to R₆ is selected from the group consisting of SO₃H, OSO₃H, CH₂-SO₃H, CII₂-OSO₃H, and NHSO₃H, and the remaining are H or NII₂.



Structure 2

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11. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the compound has the structure shown below and the formula ZOC-CR₇R₈-CR₅R₆-CR₃R₄-CR₁R₂-COOH, wherein one of R₁ to R8 is selected from the group consisting of SO3H, OSO3H, CH2-SO3H, CH2-OSO3H, and NHSO₃H, and the remaining are H or NH₂.

structure 3

12. (Original) The method according to claim 9, wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

(1)	1 Aspartic acid, N-Sulfonic acid,
(11)	L-Aspartic acid, 2β-sulfonic acid,
(111)	L-Aspartic acid, 2β-sulfate,
(IV)	L-aspartic acid, 3α -sulfonic acid,
(V)	L-aspartic acid, 3a-sulfate,
(VI)	L-aspartic acid, 3\beta-sulfonic acid,
(VII)	L-aspartic acid, 3β-sulfate,
(VIII)	2α, 3-dicarboxy, propane-1-sulfonic acid,
(IX)	2α,3-dicarboxy, propanc-1-sulfate,
(X)	1α,2-carboxy ethane sulfonic acid,
(XI)	1α,2-carboxy ethane sulfate,

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(XXX)

L-asparagine, 3u-sulfonic acid,

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(XXXI)	Auy, Dkt. No. C261 1050,1 (51081.000 L-asparagine, 3α-sulfate,
(XXXII)	L-asparagine, 3β-sulfonic acid,
(XXXIII)	L-asparagine, 3β-sulfate,
(XXXIV)	D-asparagine, N-sulfonic acid,
(XXXV)	2β-carboxy, 3-carboxamido, propane-1-sulfonic acid,
(XXXVI)	2β-carboxy, 3-carboxamido, propane-1-sulfate,
(XXXVII)	1ß-carboxy, 2-carboxamido, ethane sulfonic acid,
(XXXVIII)	lβ-carboxy, 2-carboxamido, ethane sulfate,
(XXXIX)	D-asparagine, 2α-sulfonic acid,
(XL)	D-asparagine, 2α-sulfate,
(XLI)	D-asparagine, 3α-sulfonic acid,
(ILIX)	D-asparagine, 3α-sulfate,
(XLIII)	D-asparagine, 3β-sulfonic acid,
(VI.IX)	D-asparagine, 3β-sulfate.

13. (Original) The method according to claim 10, wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

(1) L-glutamic acid, N-sulfonic a	cid,
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(II) 2a, 4-dicarboxy, butane-1-sulfonic acid,

(III) 2\alpha, 4-dicarboxy, butane-1-sulfate,

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(XXIII)	D-glutamic acid,	3α-sulfonic acid.
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(XXXV)	L-glutamine, 3α-sulfate	
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(XXXVII)	L-glutamine, 3	B-sulfate,
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D-glutamine, 4\beta-sulfate.

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14. (Original) The method according to claim 11, wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

(I)	L-homoglutamic acid, N-sulfonic acid,
(11)	Pentanc-2a, 5-dicarboxy-1-sulfonic acid,
(111)	Pentane-2α, 5-dicarboxy-1-sulfate,
(IV)	Butane-1a, 4-dicarboxy-1-sulfonic acid,
(V)	Butane-la, 4-dicarboxy-1-sulfate,
(VI)	L-homoglutamic acid, 2\beta-sulfonic acid,
(VII)	L-homoglutamic acid, 2β-sulfate,
(VIII)	L-homoglutamic acid, 3α-sulfonic acid,
(IX)	L-homoglutamic acid, 3α-sulfate,
(X)	L-homoglutamic acid, 3β-sulfonic acid,
(XI)	L-homoglutamic acid, 3β-sulfate,
(XII)	L-homoglutamic acid, 4a-sulfonic acid,
(XIII)	1homoglutamic acid, 4a-sulfate,
(XIV)	L-homoglutamic acid, 4β-sulfonic acid,
(XV)	Ihomoglutamic acid, 4β-sulfate,
(XVI)	L-homoglutamic acid, 5α-sulfonic acid,
(XVII)	L-homoglutamic acid, 5α-sulfate,
(XVIII)	L-homoglutamic acid, 5\beta-sulfonic acid,

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(LVII)	Atty. Dkt. No. C261 1050.1 (51081.0005.4) L-homoglutamine, 5β-sulfate,
(LVIII)	D-homoglutamine, N-sulfonic acid,
(1.1X)	Pentanc-2β-carboxy, 5-carboxamido-1-sulfonic acid,
(LX)	Pentane-2β-carboxy, 5-carboxamido-1-sulfate,
(LXI)	Butane-1 β -carboxy, 4-carboxamido-1-sulfonic acid,
(LXII)	Butane-1 β -carboxy, 4-carboxamido-1-sulfate,
(IIIXI)	D-homoglutamine, 2α-sulfonic acid,
(LXIV)	D-homoglutamine, 2α-sulfate,
(l.XV)	D-homoglutamine, 3α-sulfonic acid,
(LXVI)	D-homoglutamine, 3a-sulfate,
(LXVII)	D-homoglutamine, 3ß-sulfonic acid,
(LXVIII)	D-homoglutamine, 3β-sulfate,
(LXIX)	D-homoglutamine, 4α-sulfonic acid,
(LXX)	D-homoglutamine, 4u-sulfate,
(LXXI)	D-homoglutamine, 4β-sulfonic acid,
(LXXII)	D-homoglutamine, 4β-sulfate,
(LXXIII)	D-homoglutamine, 5α-sulfonic acid,
(LXXIV)	D-homoglutamine, 5a-sulfate,
(LXXV)	D-homoglutamine, 5β-sulfonic acid,

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(LXXVI)

D-homoglutamine, 5β-sulfate.

Claims 15-28. (Cancelled)